

**PATENT APPLICATION  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q78940

Eric LAINET, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/733,639

Group Art Unit: 1731

Confirmation No.: 1617

Examiner: Queenie S. DEGHAN

Filed: December 12, 2003

For: METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE POLARIZATION MODE DISPERSION OF AN  
OPTICAL FIBER DURING FIBER DRAWING

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

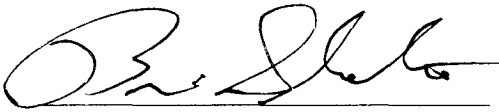
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of July 26, 2006 to September 26, 2006.

The statutory fee of \$120.00 is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. The USPTO is also directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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